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In response to the Communication of January 6, 2003, Applicants respectfully submit herewith an amendment, a Sequence Listing, and a computer-readable Sequence Listing.

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